

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 10, 43, 59, 75, 84, and 95 have been amended without intending to abandon or to dedicate to the public any patentable subject matter. No new claims are added. Accordingly claims 10-102 are currently pending.

Applicants' note with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 41, 42, 83, and 98-102 are allowable. Claims 10, 43, 59, 75, 84, and 95 have been amended to include the previously identified allowable subject matter. More specifically, the claims have been amended to include, *inter alia* and in one form or another, a plurality of indicators that are used to determine the presence or absence of identification information and/or body characteristic data within the data signal. In the June 4, 2007 Office Action, at paragraph 13, the Examiner stated this subject matter was allowable. Accordingly, Applicants believe that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and such disposition is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections

The Examiner has rejected claims 10-40, 43-82, 84-97, and 103-110 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over a number of different prior art references. These rejections are moot in view of the claim amendments described above. Applicants note that the Examiner did not explicitly reject claims

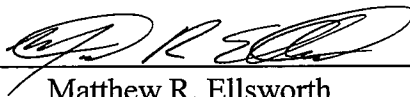
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Based upon the foregoing, Applicants believe that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and such disposition is respectfully requested. In the event that a telephone conversation would further prosecution and/or expedite allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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